

"In the state of New York the drought continued so long that the dairy interests were materially affected and the pasturage almost entirely dried up. Reports from the different counties of this state, and I have taken the trouble to make careful inquiry, are to the effect that the people are already helping themselves. Many counties have voted bonds for the construction of irrigation ditches and farmers who have been unfortunate enough to lose their crops, will have sufficient employment during the winter to support their families. There is no doubt that some help will be necessary, but the state of Nebraska is perfectly able to take care of its own affairs and other states that have suffered from forest fires, from drought, from floods and other calamities, have all they can do to take care of themselves.

"Regarding business in Nebraska, I do not hesitate to say that with the work on irrigation ditches in progress in western counties and the large expenditures of money incident to the same, with the depleted stocks of merchandise, which must be replenished, this fall and winter, and the growing tendency to purchase at the home market, the actual state of wholesale trade in Nebraska will be much better than was anticipated.

Out of much tribulation came the new *Call* this week, printed on its new press in the new building and with an entirely new equipment throughout. The *Call* is now the only afternoon newspaper in Nebraska owning and using exclusively a perfecting press. It is the only afternoon newspaper in the city that does not use plates—that is, ready made matter shipped in by freight and palmed off as telegraph, on special correspondence or "miscellany," and it is the only exclusive afternoon paper in the state holding a membership in the Associated Press. Then it is the only republican afternoon paper in the state barring the smaller towns like Fremont and Beatrice and Hastings.

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Mr. Harry Lyman goes to Crete, Nebr., next week, for the purpose of coaching a foot ball team. He expects to stay away about a month.

Captain E. A. Palmer has gone to Sheridan, Wyo., together with a number of eastern capitalists, for the purpose of investigating the merits of the products of that rich country with a view to investing.

Mrs. Wessells, wife of Major H. W. Wessells, 3rd calvary, Fort Sill, Oklahoma, Ty., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Francie Wessells.

Mrs. Arthur Wakely has gone to Wyoming to be absent three weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Orr left Monday for New York, Boston and Connecticut. Their absence will cover a period of two weeks.

Mr. J. R. Buchanan has gone to Wisconsin.

Mr. Charles K. Coutant has bought a house on Lowe Avenue and Davenport street which he will shortly occupy.

The marriage of Miss Mabel Pratt to Judge Ogden will occur next Thursday at the bride's home in California.

Miss Leila Shears, who has been visiting Mrs. J. J. Dickey and Miss Chambers, returned to Lincoln on Tuesday.

The engagement of Miss Sallie McClintock of Chicago, formerly of Omaha, to Mr. Milton Barlow is announced, the marriage to occur in December.

The marriage of Miss Isabelle Wyman to Mr. Robbins will take place on Tuesday the twenty-fifth.

Miss Judson, one of St. Joseph's most charming debutantes returned home on Monday after a short visit with Miss Helen Hoagland.

Miss Jentie Yates is visiting Miss Lemon at St. Joseph where she will be joined next week by Miss Yates. Miss Lemon has just returned from Lakewood, N. Y., where she was the acknowledged belle and beauty of that very fashionable resort.

Captain Kinzie was called from Hot Springs on Monday by the very sudden death of his mother at Fort Omaha.

Miss Hoagland has gone to Clinton, Iowa, to be bridesmaid at the marriage of Miss Maude Wadleigh to Mr. Charles King Barton, which takes place next Tuesday. Miss Pauline Wadleigh will be maid of honor and Mr. Charles Saunders best man.

Mrs. Hal McCord and child have returned from a three weeks' visit at Idaho Springs, Col.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Congdon, a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Barton, who are at Clinton, Iowa, to attend the marriage of their son, are expected home next week. Mrs. Barton and Mrs. Rollins have spent the summer at eastern resorts.

Mr. Jay Boyd left for Andover on Sunday.

Miss Grace Allen and Miss Mabel Taylor left this week for Lasalle Seminary, Auburndale, Mass.

Miss Louise Squires returned to her school at Painesville, O., this week.

Among the distinguished visitors in town during the week were: Dr. A. E. S. Fales, U. S. Consul to Amoy, China, and his wife, known to the literary world as Margherita Arlina Hamm; William Pender McLean, formerly editor of the Hong Kong Telegram, accompanied them. Mr. William E. Curtis, the Washington correspondent of the *Chicago Record*, was the guest of Major Halford.

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